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## LOSE HIM ONCE MORE

Americans Abandon Hope of Catching Aguinaldo in the North.

### HIS ACTUAL WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN

Belief That He Is Making for Cavite, If Not Already There—Gen. Young Reaches Vigan After Hard Fighting.

Manila, Dec. 8.—The expectation of catching Aguinaldo in the north has been practically abandoned, and the probability now is that he will turn southward, if he is not already there, with his destination Cavite province, his home, where the insurrection began and where it still has its greatest strength. The Filipino soldiers in that province have recently been showing increased enthusiasm and boldness, and captured insurgents say that Aguinaldo is coming to join them with a large army. The same belief prevails among the natives at Manila and elsewhere that Aguinaldo intends to make his headquarters in Cavite province.

### Sleep on Their Arms.

There are 3,000 insurgents before Inos and Bacoor, keeping the Americans sleeping on their arms and nightly awaiting attack. The Filipinos have several cannon. The first mayor of Inos, under the American regime, who ultimately deserted, is their leader in the assaults and is ambitious to take the town. Three soldiers of the Fourth Infantry have deserted, and are now with the enemy. Most of the inhabi-

### MILLER LOCATED.

Head of the Defunct Franklin Syndicate Is Under Surveillance in Canada.

New York, Dec. 8.—The Brooklyn Eagle says that a lawyer intimately connected with an investigation into the affairs of the Franklin syndicate has given to the Eagle information that William F. Miller, the manager of the Franklin syndicate, is under surveillance near Montreal, Canada, on a Canadian warrant charging him with having in his possession stolen goods brought into Canada by him from the United States. The charge under which he may be arrested is made to hold him until the proper steps can be taken to complete extradition proceedings which have been begun. It will take four days to finish the extradition papers, it is said, and get them to Canada, so that he may be brought into this country for trial. It was also stated that Greenfields & Greenfields, the Canadian criminal lawyers, have been retained by Miller to fight any extradition proceeding that may be brought.

### SAYS HE IS INNOCENT.

Henry F. Corbett Identified as the Man Who Shot Rev. Cheney and Wife at Racine.

Racine, Wis., Dec. 8.—Henry F. Corbett, who was arrested on suspicion of shooting Rev. D. B. Cheney and wife, was identified as the man who did the shooting. He was seen coming out of the Cheney residence after the shooting by Mrs. John Armstrong, who recognized him at once when shown the prisoner at the county jail. Corbett pro-

### REV. D. B. CHENEY.



Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Racine, Wis., with His Wife, Was Shot by a Mysterious Assassin.

tants of Inos are so strong in their sympathies with the insurgents that it is necessary to use a part of the regiment to patrol the streets and to prevent shooting from houses whenever an attack begins.

### Location of Our Troops.

The American forces in the north have separated into many small commands and are pursuing bands of Filipinos. Gen. MacArthur is engaged in clearing the mountain country west of the Manila-Bagayan railroad. Gen. Grant is moving from Angeles toward Subig with 400 men. Col. Bell is sweeping south from Mangatara. Thus far the American commanders have been unable to locate large bodies of insurgents, although there were about 500 in San Clemente, nine miles south of Mangatara, early in the week. Col. Hood, with the Sixteenth regiment and cavalry, and Gen. Lawton, with a force from San Isidro, are operating against Gen. Plan's army in the San Mateo valley. Maj. Bachelor, with a battalion of the Twenty-fourth Infantry, is making a daring expedition. He left Bayombing, province of Nueva Visaya, a week ago to march through Cagayan valley to the north coast of Luzon, intending to reach Aparri, at the mouth of Cagayan river, the most important northern seaport of the island. While no large forces are known to be in his path it may be that he has had some fighting, although the friendliness of the inhabitants is counted upon to help him. When he arrives at Aparri, he will find a garrison awaiting him. The Spanish prisoners in the Benguet region are escaping from the Filipinos and are flocking into Vigan. Several hundred are there already, and a steamer will go to bring them to Manila.

### Fights His Way to Vigan.

Manila, Dec. 8.—Gen. Young arrived at Vigan, province of South Ilocos, Wednesday, December 6, after a hard but successful fight with a greatly superior force of Filipinos commanded by Gen. Tino. The Americans had one man killed and 12 wounded. The enemy's loss was heavy.

### Money for Wisconsin.

Washington, Dec. 8.—A warrant was issued Thursday in favor of the governor of Wisconsin for \$13,092 for the second installment of the amount due that state for aid to the United States in raising the volunteer army for war with Spain.

### The Bond Purchases.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The bonds purchased under the recent offer of the sec-

tests his innocence and says he was in another part of the city soliciting orders for pictures at the time of the shooting.

Rev. and Mrs. Cheney were so far improved Thursday that the consulting physicians returned to Chicago. It was decided not to probe for the bullets in the case of either Mr. Cheney or his wife for at least several days. The condition of Mrs. Cheney is considered the more serious.

### Fives Price on Broom Corn.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Stockholders of the Union Broom Supply company held a secret meeting here and decided to make the price of broom corn \$2.00 per ton. This is the first time the company has given a quotation on the supply held by it, and it is said by the stockholders that this price will advance materially within another month. The Union Broom Supply company, according to President Roseboom, holds fully 50 per cent. of the raw material. Efforts will be made by the company to purchase the remaining ten per cent. and advance the price again.

### Tragedy in Iowa.

Adel, Ia., Dec. 8.—Joseph Huthaus, living 1½ miles east of Adel, beat his wife to death with a club about 8:30 Thursday morning, and then blew his brains out with a shotgun. He was about 65 years of age and had been married about 40 years. Mr. and Mrs. Huthaus have been known to have more or less trouble for 20 years. Huthaus has been jealous of his wife, and their trouble seems to have culminated in the double tragedy.

### Is Not for Bryan.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 8.—A Tribune special from Howell, Mich., says: A letter has been received from Hon. John M. Palmer, of Illinois, who is at the head of the sound money democrats, which was written in answer to an alleged interview asserting that he had come out in favor of William J. Bryan. The letter denies the interview.

### Widener Endows a Home.

Philadelphia, Dec. 8.—P. A. B. Widener announced his intention to present to the city ground and buildings for a home, hospital and school for crippled children, open to all, "without distinction of creed, color, sex or nationality," and to cost approximately \$2,000,000.

### To Succeed Himself.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 8.—Thursday the joint democratic legislative assembly and the joint democratic legislative assembly nominated Hon. Thomas S. Marshall, of Kentucky, to succeed himself.

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**IN THE NAME OF PURE FOOD.**

In ancient times the most horrible persecutions were done in the name of religion. In Michigan the most foolish persecutions are started in the name of pure food.

In this state there is a law making it an offense for any hotel or restaurant keeper to serve on his table imitation butter unless he has posted conspicuously a sign stating that bogus butter is served there.

The object of creating the state food commission was supposedly for the purpose of seeing that the food which the Michigan people were fed was pure. That is a lofty and commendable thing for a state board to do. The present food law, in practical force, says that imitation butter is a healthful article to eat provided the eater knows what he is eating. If he eats oleomargarine in the innocent belief that it is real butter he is liable to suffer the most evil consequences. A simple-minded person even would not believe such a teaching.

If the law was made for the protection of butter producers the legislature should have been fair enough to say so and not pass a fool law declaring that without a sign on exhibition the imitation butter is injurious and with a sign it is good food. A pure food commission ought to have no part in enforcing a piece of class legislation where the matter of pure and wholesome food has nothing to do with the case.

Michigan ought not to make herself ridiculous, or in other words a pure food commission ought to be pure.

SENATOR Mason has again violated the etiquette known as "senatorial dignity." He has introduced in the senate a resolution reading as follows:

Whereas, From the hour of achieving their own independence, the people of the United States have regarded with sympathy the struggles of other people to free themselves from European domination, therefore, Resolved, by the senate of the United States, that we watch with deep and abiding interest the heroic battle of the South African republic against cruelty and oppression and our best wishes go out for the full success of their determined contest for liberty.

This is a paragraph from the last republican platform with the exception that "South African republic" is substituted in the resolution for the following words in the republican platform: "The Cuban patriots."

BATTLE Creek will have a beet sugar factory next year to cost half a million dollars. This will be a bad blow to the fellows who have been proving that the factories already in existence would not be able to get beets enough to run their factories next year.

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ing—One Life Lost.

Reading, Pa., Dec. 8.—One of the most appalling fires that has ever visited this city occurred Thursday when the extensive hosiery mill of Nolde & Horst Co. took fire, destroying the plant, causing the death of one person, and injuring 57 other employees of the company. Miss Louisa Clay, aged 48, lost her life. The hosiery building was a large, four-story structure, and nearly 600 persons were employed, most of them being women and girls. The fire was discovered about 11 o'clock, and in a few minutes the girls were panic-stricken. They made a dash for the fire escape and the stairs, but found that the latter means of escape could not carry all of them down at the same time. Several hundred of the girls then made a rush for the windows, and appealed to those in the street to save them. Ladders were brought into use, and many girls were taken from the burning building safely. Most of them, however, jumped, and were seriously injured. For a few minutes from every window on the second and third floors girls leaped one after the other. Some landed in the arms of those below, but many struck the ground. They were picked up and rapidly removed to hospitals or their homes.

Many of the girls who escaped by the stairways and fire escapes were badly burned, but none of them was, it is believed, seriously injured. It is not known how the dead girl met her fate, but it is believed that she fainted, and was then burned to death. The fire traveled with great rapidity owing to the inflammable stock in the building. By those who saw the progress of the fire, it is considered miraculous that there was such a small loss of life. There is much criticism among the employees because of the fact that the screens in the windows, except those at the fire escapes, were securely nailed to the window sills. The girls had to break the screens before they could get out to leap to the ground. Some of the employees say that the doors were locked, as a rule, after the employees were in the building. The fire was caused by the explosion of gasoline in the dressing room. The loss is estimated at about \$275,000, on which there is an insurance of \$150,000.

**THE KENTUCKY CANVASS.**

Commissioners Will in All Probability Give the Certificate to Taylor.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 8.—The decision of the state board of election commissioners, covering the gubernatorial contest, will be handed down on Saturday morning. The strong probability is that certificates of election will be given to William S. Taylor, the republican candidate for governor, and the republican candidates for the other offices on the state ticket. The vote will probably be two for the republican and one for the democratic state ticket.

It is possible, in case the decision is given to Taylor, that the democrats may secure an injunction restraining him from taking his seat, and in this manner bring on a fight that will be carried in the legislature and fought out there. A bitter end. Some such step has been considered, but not definitely determined upon. It is believed that the democrats in handing down this decision, will say that while frauds were undoubtedly committed in the election, the powers of the board do not permit it to go behind the returns. It is expected that upon this part of the decision, granting it is made, a democratic contest will be given ground to stand.

**M'KINLEY AND ROOT.**

Republicans Said to Have Decided the Secretary of War Shall Run for Vice President.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Formal decision to make Secretary of War Root the candidate for vice president in the ticket with McKinley in 1900 was reached by the managers of the republican party in this city Thursday. Senator Platt called at the white house and told President McKinley New York republicans would favor the choice. Committee-men Payson of Wisconsin; Manley of Maine; Senator Hanna, Senator Platt and others close to the administration reached the decision.

**African M. E. Conference.**

Rome, Ga., Dec. 8.—The African Methodist Episcopal conference will be in session in this city this week. The conference represents a membership of 2,000,000, having churches and Sunday schools all over the world. There are 20 bishops in the church. At this session delegates will be elected to the general conference which meets in Chicago next May.

**Mules for Great Britain.**

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 8.—Purchases of mules in America for the use of the British government seem likely to upset the calculations of American live stock men. It is said orders have been received to purchase 10,000 more animals. Almost this many have already been shipped from southern points.

**Jury Secured.**

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 8.—A special to the Free Press from Marshall, Mich., says: A jury was secured Thursday afternoon in the case of Mrs. Sanderson, who is charged with attempting to murder her aged husband by feeding him pounded glass in his oatmeal.

**Serious Disaster.**

London, Dec. 8.—A terrible disaster to the Irish mail at Crewe, an important railroad center, 34 miles southeast of Liverpool, is reported this (Friday) morning. It is rumored that many persons have been killed and injured. No details have been received.

and the construction and maintenance of telephone exchanges in the city of Benton Harbor.

The city of Benton Harbor ordains: Sec. 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, persons or corporation to erect and maintain telephone poles or other telephone apparatus, and string wires thereon, in, along, over or on any street, alley or public place within the city of Benton Harbor, except as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. Any person, persons or corporation desiring to construct and operate a telephone line within said city, and any person, persons or corporation desiring to extend his, their or its system, or to locate any telephone pole, poles or apparatus, and string wires thereon, within this city, or to make use of the public streets and alleys for this purpose, shall make application in writing before constructing or extending its said system, to the city council, showing what construction or extension is proposed and the route of said construction or extension. If the said proposed route or the location of any pole thereof shall be found objectionable to the city council the city council shall, as soon as practicable, designate some other route for said construction or extension, or for the location of such pole or poles as shall be found objectionable in the application made to the city council. Provided: That no pole or poles shall be erected or wires strung thereon until the city council shall have acted on said application and designated the route of said construction or extension, or located said pole or poles.

Sec. 3. Said telephone poles shall not be less than twenty-five (25) feet in height, and all wires stretched thereon shall be at least twenty (20) feet above the ground, and said poles and wires shall be placed at such place or places as shall not interfere with or obstruct public travel, nor operate to the injury of private or public property. The location of all poles shall be under the supervision of the city council, and if any person, persons or corporation shall erect any pole or poles that shall interfere with or obstruct public travel, or shall operate to the injury of public or private property, and shall refuse to remove said pole or poles after five (5) days' notice, the city council may cause said pole or poles to be removed.

Sec. 4. No telephone poles shall be erected, maintained or used by any person, persons or corporation on the following named streets within this city: On Main street, between Fourth street and Tenth street; on Pipestone street, between Main street and Pleasant street; on Water street, between Main street and Territorial street. And any person, persons or corporation now owning, maintaining, operating, or using any telephone poles upon said named streets, shall, upon sixty (60) days' notice, remove said poles and place them in the alleys or on the streets designated by the city council, and upon failure of said person, persons or corporation to remove said poles from the aforesaid streets the city council may cause said poles to be taken down and removed from the streets aforesaid. Provided, That lines of wire may be extended across the aforesaid streets, at alley or other street intersections where poles with wires strung thereon are maintained in said alley, or on said intersecting streets.

Sec. 5. All telephone poles erected, maintained or used by any person, persons or corporations within the city shall be neatly constructed, and said poles and cross-arms shall be neatly painted on the streets, avenues and alleys where designated by the city council, upon ten days' notice to said person, persons or corporation, from said city council. All poles of such person, persons or corporation operating a telephone system within said city shall be of a uniform color, and shall be maintained in good repair, and upon failure of said person, persons or corporation to paint, repaint or repair said poles or wires, the said city council may cause said poles to be removed.

Sec. 6. No person, persons or corporation shall operate a local telephone system within this city and charge the patrons of said system, or those wishing to become patrons, more than thirty (\$30) dollars per year for business and office telephones, and not to exceed the sum of twenty (\$20) dollars per year for residential telephones. This rates shall apply until the population of said city exceeds ten thousand (10,000) inhabitants, and when said city exceeds a population of ten thousand (10,000) inhabitants no person, persons or corporation shall charge his, their or its patrons more than thirty (\$30) dollars per year for each business telephone, nor more than twenty-five (\$25) dollars per year for each residence telephone.

Sec. 7. Whenever a subscriber ceases using, or his telephone is removed from his or its residence, office or place of business, said company shall, after ten days' notice from the city council, remove said service wire and all poles maintaining the same.

Sec. 8. Any person, persons or corporation operating a telephone exchange or using telephone poles and lines of wire within this city shall save this city harmless from all claims for damage arising from the construction, maintenance or operation of said telephone system, and shall properly repair all displacements of pavement, curb or sidewalks, and shall restore the surface of the streets, alleys and grounds traversed, as nearly as possible to the condition in which the same was found.

Sec. 9. The city council may require any person, persons or corporation operating any telephone line, telephone exchange or telephone system within this city, to remove its poles and wires to other streets or alleys, whenever the interests of public improvement or public necessity requires the removal of said poles and wires; and upon failure of said person, persons or corporation to change the location of said poles and wires upon sixty (60) days' notice from the city council, the said city council may cause said poles and wires to be removed.

Sec. 10. Any person or persons who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not to exceed seventy-five (75) dollars and costs of prosecution, or by imprisonment in the city prison of the city of Benton Harbor or in the county jail of Berrien county not to exceed sixty (60) days, unless such fine and costs be sooner paid; or by both such fine and

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## LOCAL BREVITIES

**NATHAN Hutt** has been granted a divorce from his wife, Nora Hutt.

RESERVED seats are now on sale at B. R. d's drug store for the Schumann concert.

MEMBERS of Malta Commandery should look for a notice in another column of this paper.

By mistake the name of Mrs. Goidir Kennedy as organist was omitted from R. N. of A. list of elected officers.

The pension of Rev. George B. Simons, formerly of this city, has been increased from \$6 to \$12 per month.

YESTERDAY Congressman Hamilton introduced a bill to pension all ex-soldiers who had been confined in rebel prisons.

SCHUMANN grand concert company at the Methodist church next Monday evening. This is the third number in the Y. M. C. A. course.

ENCOURAGE your city band by turning out to their concert next Monday evening. After the program dancing will be in order until 12 o'clock.

The following is the list of new Twin City telephones: White saloon, 557; Oak saloon, 587; E. P. Throop, residence, 18; Dr. Elders, office, 552.

CHARLES N. Stewart, of Hartman, this county, who recently enlisted at Canton, O., is now on his way to San Francisco and from there he will sail with his company for the Philippines.

ON account of the Catholic fair in Cooke's hall tonight Mrs. Prescott's dancing class will meet at her home, 165 Broadway tonight. The children's class will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

BUTZBACH & Kidd, the wholesale and retail dealers in fruit, have put in a large stock of Christmas decorations—such as holly, mistletoe, ground pine and Christmas trees. See their Christmas advertisement in today's paper.

THE ladies of the Christian church will give a supper and dinner in the G. A. R. hall tomorrow afternoon and evening. In the evening Mrs. Roming will read a paper on her recent trip to Europe. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

TOMORROW Herr brothers will continue their closing out crockery sale, and a dealer will sell decorated pitchers, bakeware and napkins at 19 cents. These goods will be sold in assorted sizes and decorations and have heretofore sold for 30 and 50 cents.

Mrs. Charles E. Bowman has received a letter from her husband, who is at Las Vegas, New Mexico, for his health. Mr. Bowman's many friends will be pleased to learn that he is much improved in health. His cough has left him and he is highly pleased with his Mexican life.

CHARLES J. Brown, who recently left Benton Harbor to become editor of the Ellet Rapids Progress, shows his progressive spirit by saying in this week's paper: "If we cannot have electric lights, why not buy a barrel of oil, repack it in our present lights and employ someone to light and extinguish them?"

MOLLAHAGEN Bros. have rechristened the tug Hahn which has been re-built at Admendinger's yards during the past few months. The other day when the boat was launched it got stuck on the ways and this morning Capt. W. A. Baxwell with the tug Andy pulled her in the water. The name of the new tug is the Lloyd M.

The Wolverine company announces that they will furnish a carload of best pig to a farmer or dairyman in this vicinity who will notify the company. The pig will be loaded on the car free, but the party receiving same must pay the freight. This pig has been tested by several of the farmers and found to be of the best quality and quantity of milk.

**Paid Dear For His Leg.**

H. D. Lichten, of Tazewellville, Tex., in two years paid over \$300.00 to doctors to cure a Running Sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he saved it with one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for Piles, 25c a box. Sold by Lowe & Witherspoon druggists.

Densmore's 5, 10 and 25c store will be open evenings till after Christmas.

**Buchanan Couple Unhappy.**

Anson Z. Zimmerman, a resident of Buchanan, by his attorney, George H. Backler, has commenced divorce proceedings in the circuit court and asks for a divorce from his wife, Rose Zimmerman, on the grounds of desertion and cruelty.

**A Card.**

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.

J. A. Sheffield & Son, Dr. J. J. Fabry

The finest line of juvenile books ever shown in Benton Harbor from 5 to 15 cents each at Densmore's 5, 10 and 25 cent store.

Hats and all millinery articles are selling at cost at Dorothy Collins' this week.

What's the use of going home to dinner when the Hotel Phoenix lunch counter is so convenient?

A first class cook and gentlemanly attendants can be found at the Hotel Phoenix lunch counter. Try them.

**The High Life, a good smoke for 5c.**

**Queer Story of a Narrow Escape Told by British Army Officer in East India.**

A strange experience was vouchsafed by an officer of a British regiment at Sitapur, in India. The station is overrun with snakes of all varieties and kinds, but the most deadly of them all is the krait, a native of southern India. Rarely a day passes that several of them are not killed by members of the regiment, though never without a severe struggle, for it is not easy to reach a vital spot.

One day an officer of the regiment who was off duty was lying on his bed in his quarters. Arising, he was surprised and horrified to see a big krait between him and the door, with nothing in hand with which to protect himself from attack.

The big black fellow reared up his head and showed fight, seeming to a



CAUGHT IN A RAT TRAP.

particularly vindictive mood, so there seemed no escape. The snake appeared to appreciate this, for he was apparently in no hurry to finish the task before him, but leisurely approached the man, always, however, watching for any hostile movement.

A trifling circumstance saved his life. On the floor in front of where he stood was a small trap that had been set for rats that had bothered the quarters for some time. Into this the snake unwittingly thrust his head. In an instant the trap snapped, and, catching him in a fatal spot, the strong spring ended his life in a twinkling without giving him an opportunity to struggle.

The snake was photographed as caught and the unique picture sent home as an evidence of the strange escape.

**Five Men Fall**

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. J. W. Gardner, of Dayville, Ind., says: "Electric Bitties are just the thing for a man when he don't care whether he lives or dies. It gave me new strength and good appetite. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents at Lowe & Witherspoon's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed.

Densmore's 5, 10 and 25 cent store is crowded these days with Christmas shoppers and they all agree that they can get articles for 25c that would cost 50c at other places.

**A Clear Understanding at Start.**  
Newlywed (after the ceremony)—Do you really think I shall make a good mate, darling?  
Mrs. Newlywed—Oh, you're all right. How do you like your captain?—Philadelphia Record.

The High Life makes a fine smoke.

It's time you were thinking about

**Christmas**

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**..The Busy Department Store..**

**RAPP & PRIDEAUX**

Watch this space for December Bargains.

**Our Grocery Department**

26 bars Castile Soap,	25c	25 lbs. Never Fail Flour,	45c
15 bars Fairbanks' Soap,	25c	5 lbs. Crackers,	25c
10 bars Kirk's Savon Soap,	25c	XXXX Coffee,	10c lb.
10 bars Mich. Family Soap,	25c	Bacon,	9c lb.
10 bars Calumet Soap,	25c	19 lbs. Granulated Sugar,	\$1

**...Jackets and Skirts...**

Ladies' jacket, worth \$4.00 for,	\$2 39
Ladies' jacket, black, velvet collar, half lined, worth \$5.00, for,	3 19
Ladies' jacket, black, Beaver and Kersey, worth \$6.00 for,	3 48
Ladies' jacket, black and blue Kersey, all silk lined, worth \$7.00, for,	4 49
Ladies' jacket, black, tan and blue, worth \$10 to \$15, for,	7 48
Ladies' skirts, black and blue serge, worth \$2.00, for,	1 19
Ladies' skirts, black and blue brilliantine and plaids, worth \$6.00 for,	3 48

**Carpets, Linoleums and Oil Cloth**

The well posted public looks upon Rapp & Prideaux as carpet headquarters; it is offers like those that gives us this reputation.

Extra super, two ply, all wool carpet, our price,	49c yd
Extra super, two ply, all wool filled carpet, our price,	41c yd
Union extra super carpet, our price,	29c yd
Art matting, choice patterns, our price,	19c yd
Linoleums sold everywhere for 50c, our price,	37c yd
Oil cloths, stove rugs, our price,	33c yd

**..KID GLOVE SALE..**

We place on sale 25 doz. Ladies' Kid Gloves, two clasp, in black, brown, tan and grey, every pair worth \$1, for 69c pair.

**Fine Crockery and Glassware**

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From now until Christmas we will offer our entire line of Fine Crockery at cost...

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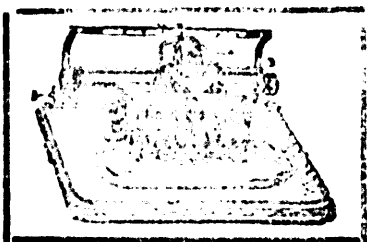
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Muskegon,	

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If you are posted on the coal market you will not delay. We handle the genuine

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**The Evening News**  
10c a week

**METHUEN WILL LEAD**

To Command Forces for the Relief of Kimberley.

**PRESIDENT STEYN JOINS THE BOERS.**

Received at the Front with Great Enthusiasm—British Expect Much Help from the Advance of Gen. Gatture.

London, Dec. 8. The war office here has received the following message from Gen. Buller: Walker, the British commander at Cape Town:

"Weinsteyn, Dec. 8. Gen. Methuen who today has resumed command and is highly in communication with Kimberley. The health of the troops is excellent."

**Plenty of Provisions and Water.**

Modder River, Monday, Dec. 4. A searchlight message from Col. Kekewich at Kimberley says the town is provisioned for ten days, with forage for 15 days, and has a plentiful water supply.

**Stirring News Expected.**

London, Dec. 8. Gen. Buller's arrival at Pretoria is held to indicate that all the preparations for an advance to the relief of Ladysmith are complete and that stirring news will soon be received. The fact that Lord Methuen is announced as resuming his command at almost the same moment is interpreted in some quarters to mean that battles will be fought simultaneously in Natal and at Spionkop. It appears doubtful, however, whether Gen. Methuen's forces are yet ready for what will evidently be a heavy encounter.

**President Steyn Goes to Front.**

The announcement is made in a special dispatch from Bloemfontein, dated Sunday, December 3, that President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, has joined the Boer forces of the Modder river. His appearance, the dispatch says, caused great enthusiasm among the Boers.

Perhaps an explanation of the retirement of the burghers from Natal can be found in a dispatch from Modder river, December 3, saying that a strong Boer force, estimated to number 3,000 men, was reinforcing Gen. Cronje from Natal. The same dispatch says everything points to the fact that a great engagement will be fought at Spionkop. The Boers are massing on the hills there, are vigorously building stone defenses, and are digging rifle pits in every direction.

**Much Depends on Gen. Gatture.**

The British have shifted their camp a few hundred yards away from the battlefield and are resting down for a week. There are some who say never again will the troops. Much depends on Gen. Gatture's advance. There is undoubtedly a large concentration of Boers all about Gen. Methuen. Practically all of the Boer forces have joined the Kimberley besiegers.

**Reports All Well.**

Pretoria, Natal, Dec. 6. A run of good luck with today reports all well. The bombardment, the messenger adds, continued, but it is ineffective, the Boer shells only hitting the houses.

**Bayoneted Without Mercy.**

Cape Town, Dec. 8. A circumstantial account of Boer mistreatment of the white flag, unconditionally, however, comes from Houtekamp. According to the report, so far as the Boers were concerned, the Boers were bayoneted before which they raised a white flag. As a detachment of British troops tried to take the position, the Boers opened fire, and upon the Boers, the Boers bayoneted the Boers. The Boers bayoneted the Boers. The Boers bayoneted the Boers.

**PLEADS NOT GUILTY.**

State House, Dec. 8. D. J. Jansen, charged with the murder of a Boer, pleaded not guilty.

London, Dec. 8. It is reported that the Boers are bayoneting the Boers. The Boers bayoneted the Boers. The Boers bayoneted the Boers. The Boers bayoneted the Boers.

The grand jury filed a report with the circuit court Thursday, stating that Lord Gatture, under William A. French, who was indicted last month, has never qualified for office, having failed to file the required official bond, and that it is doubtful, therefore, whether an indictment charging official misconduct could lawfully be found against him. This seems to indicate that other charges than offering bribes are under consideration.

**Officer Killed.**

Muncie, Ind., Dec. 8. At midnight at Alexandria, Mo., a policeman, George Lee, aged 36, was killed in an alley in a pistol fight. Three men were tried, one by the officers. He was dead when found, and the case is a mystery. He was very popular, and an old man on the force.

**Life-Savers Drowned.**

London, Dec. 8.—There are heavy storms along the English coast. The Alburgh lifeboat went to the rescue of a ship in distress and was capsized. Five life-savers became entangled in the boat's gear and were held beneath it and drowned.

**Three Killed.**

Pottstown, Pa., Dec. 8.—The powder works of James S. Miller, near Sunnyside, were completely wrecked by ex-

**ORIGIN OF THE VIOLIN.**

The Mythological Story of the Instrument as Told by a Magazine Writer.

In the National Magazine is an interesting article regarding the history of the violin. The writer says: An ancient legend tells us that one day as Orpheus, son of Apollo and the Muse, Kalliope, was walking by the river, he was struck by the sound of sweet music, which seemed to come from his own glorious voice. He walked along, singing, and the reeds of the stream, as if to meet him, began to sing at his very feet.

Gliding down, he saw the shell of a turtle, which had been cast away, dry upon the beach and left there by the receding waves. The little boy had died and once upon a time the shell, which had been cast away, dry upon the beach and left there by the receding waves. The little boy had died and once upon a time the shell, which had been cast away, dry upon the beach and left there by the receding waves.

**Buzzards' Feathers for Deacons.**

According to a writer in Science, the demand for eagle's plumes to adorn ladies' hats has suddenly put the turkey buzzard in great popularity, because the supply of eagles not being equal to the demand, buzzards' feathers are substituted for those of the nobler bird.

**Jackies Fond of Ball.**

Whenever enough men from an American man-of-war can get shore leave, no matter in what foreign port they may be lying, they are almost certain to start a ball game. In the English navy cricket is even played on board ship.

**Increase in Coal Exports.**

Exports of coal from the United States have increased from 227,918 tons in 1871 to over 4,000,000 tons during the past year.

**Eczema for Eight Years.**

"For over eight years I suffered with that plague, eczema, and could get no relief until chance brought me Dr. Chase's ointment. One box cured me perfectly." Chas. F. Kellogg, Piano Dealer, Lefroy, N. Y. 50 cents, all druggists or Dr. A. W. Chase Med. Co., Buffalo, N. Y. To prove that Dr. Chase's ointment cures piles, eczema, and all skin diseases, a sample box will be sent to any address on receipt of stamp.



## A VERY NICE EVENT.

Such Was the Reception Given Yesterday by Mrs. Brammall and Mrs. Charles.

### GUESTS WERE RICHLY GOWNED

One of the Most Fashionable Social Functions That Have Recently Occurred.

Mrs. Edward Brammall and Mrs. A. G. Charles entertained about 125 ladies yesterday afternoon between the hours of 2 and 6 at Mrs. Brammall's residence on Pipestone street. The ladies were assisted by Mrs. Charles' sister, Miss Campbell of Rochester, New York, Mrs. Belle Kidd Chapman, Mrs. John T. Owens, Mrs. M. Wood, Mrs. E. E. Beckley, Mrs. L. O. Chatfield and the Misses Flora Radcliffe, Ada Stevens, Agnes Robinson, Ora McDonald and Pricella English.

Mrs. Chapman presided over a punch bowl, Mrs. Owens and Mrs. Wood had charge of the dining room and Miss Stevens and Miss Radcliffe, assisted by the Misses Robinson, McDonald and English served the guests. Green's mandolin orchestra furnished music for the afternoon.

The house was darkened and the rooms splendidly illuminated with gas, looked extremely pretty with their decorations of pink roses, palms, simlax and the beautifully dressed ladies. Dainties were used as favors. The following two course luncheon was served:

Chicken salad	Olives
Bread and butter	Coffee
Chocolate	
Neapolitan ice cream	
Assorted cake	

Among the most beautiful gowns worn were the following:

Mrs. Charles—Imported cloth gown with passementerie trimmings.

Mrs. Brammall—Fancy silk waist with cloth skirt.

Miss Charles—Beautiful gown of black net with fish scale jets, relieved by a very little heliotrope velvet.

Miss Steven—Yellow Persian lawn, with black trimmings, decoillette.

Miss Radcliffe—Pink Persian lawn with black trimmings, decoillette.

Miss Robin-on—Pink organdie with black trimmings, decoillette.

Miss McDonald—White Persian lawn.

Miss English—Light blue fancy silk waist and cloth skirt.

A colored waiter ushered at the door and another assisted at the cloak room.

The reception was an unusually brilliant and successful one and Mrs. Brammall and Mrs. Charles made an enviable reputation as charming entertainers.

## SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Wald, of Chicago, is visiting relatives in the city.

Dr. A. L. Cory has returned from a professional trip to Chicago.

Miss Francis Reynolds of Cleveland, is visiting friends in the city.

Dr. Black and wife of Cleveland, O., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Willis on Washington street.

Graham McOmber, of Berrien Springs, and John Hunter, of Albion, were guests of friends in the city last evening.

The R. N. of A met with Mrs. Johnson, Buss avenue, yesterday afternoon. They were royally entertained by the hostess, after a few fine selections of music ice cream and assorted cakes were served.

The Daughters of the Ossoli will meet tomorrow with Miss Fannie Hopkins, 165 Maple street.

At the meeting of Puritan lodge K. of P. held last night the following officers were nominated for the coming year.

W. C., M. A. Price.
V. C., R. P. Chaddock.
Prelate, George Thompson.
M. of W., A. A. Covell.
M. of E., Fred A. Hobbs.
M. of P., John Seal.
K. of R. & S., John A. Crawford.
M. of A., James House.
I. G., Charles N. Sears.
O. G., Ben Wells.

### SPECIAL SATURDAY SALE

At Densmore's 5, 10 and 25 Cent Store.

Will sell a high grade toilet soap for 10 cents a box. If you don't want soap come in and look our holiday stock over. Don't wait till last week before Christmas to select your gifts.

Ladies it will pay you to get our prices, as everything in millinery this month goes regardless of cost. We wish to call attention to our line of infants' goods. MISSSES DALRYMPLE.

#### Drink Grain-O

after you have concluded that you ought not to drink coffee. It is not a medicine but doctors order it, because it is healthful, invigorating and appetizing. It is made from pure grains and has that rich seal brown color and tastes like the finest grades of coffee and costs about 1/4 as much. Children like it and thrive on it because it is a genuine food drink containing nothing but nourishment. Ask your grocer for Grain-O, the new food drink. 15 and 25c.

Why eat stale candies when you can get new candies at the candy kitchen every morning, 123 Territorial street?

Michigan's famous cigar, Columbian, 5c

### SPANISH NEWSPAPERS.

La Epoca, a Highly Conservative Journal, is Edited and in Part Owned by a Nobleman.

Madrid, the Spanish capital, has one or two papers which have a fair circulation, but they cannot compare in importance, as to their influence over their own country's population, with other first-class continental newspapers—with the best productions of Austria, Russia, or even Italy, says a writer in the Pall Mall Gazette. Of the Spanish papers probably the Imparcial has the greatest sale among the people of Madrid, but the chief paper for influence among the better classes is La Epoca, which is a conservative journal of very old repute, having been established for over half a century.

La Epoca has never supported any other party in Spain but the high conservatives. Its present circulation may be taken as being about 12,000 daily, and it is edited by Marquis de Valdiglesias, who is also one of its proprietors. It is a four-page journal, whose columns are principally given over to news from Spanish sources, and its supply of foreign matter and doings, as we know them in this country, is but scanty. There is generally a leading article of importance in its first column, and the latter half of its fourth page is given to the "serial," which is as much in vogue in Spain as elsewhere on the continent.

#### Birds and Beasts at War.

You would hardly believe that moles, clumsy and almost blind, become perfect demons when they quarrel. No one knows what they quarrel about, but if they once start fighting one has to die. They will keep on in the presence of any number of spectators, hanging on to one another like bulldogs and burying their enormously strong jaws and teeth in one another's flesh. Hedgehogs, another type of the quiet, offensive-looking animal, not only fight, but always to the death, and when one is killed the other generally devours him. Hares, on the other hand, are proverbially the most timid of creatures, yet they can fight. A fight between two hares is a ludicrous sight, as they skip and jump over one another. But a blow from the hind legs of a hare is no joke to his opponent. Among birds robins are the most pugnacious. More than one case could be quoted of two robins so frantically set on killing one another as to have allowed themselves to be picked up in the hands of a looker-on and there have laid with beak and claws deeply buried in one another's plumage.

#### More Impressive Than Niagara.

The Gersoppa falls, on the Sharavatti river, in South Kanara, India, are larger and more magnificent than Niagara. The water makes a clear drop of 830 feet.

Fresh taffy candy at Wallace Bros.

Michigan's famous cigar, Columbian, 5c



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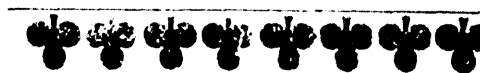
Are in place and the prices we have put on them are the lowest consistent with good goods.

We are showing a fine stock of novelties in Sterling Silver for ladies and gents, which will make acceptable gifts



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### \$25,000 WORTH OF DRY GOODS

It will include our entire stock, Silks, Black and Colored Dress Goods, Ladies' and Children's Cloaks, Linens, Blankets, Lace Curtains, Underwear, Corsets, Hosiery, Kid Gloves, Ribbons and Notions, Muslins and Prints. This stock must be sold out within 30 days.

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